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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Officer
4 John Petty "J.D." Rivera of Hegewisch, who passed away on March
5 23, 2019; and

6 WHEREAS, Officer Rivera attended Annunciata Catholic
7 School and graduated from St. John the Baptist Grade School in
8 2009; he attended Mt. Carmel High School and graduated from
9 Brother Rice High School in 2013; during high school he
10 participated in ROTC; he loved the community of Hegewisch and
11 purchased his grandmother's house down the street from where he
12 had lived; and

13 WHEREAS, Officer Rivera always wanted to be a police
14 officer; he entered the police academy at the age of 21 and
15 became a patrolman with the Chicago Police Department, working
16 in the 6th District; and

17 WHEREAS, Officer Rivera was a comedian who loved to make
18 people laugh and did whacky dance moves; he enjoyed baseball,
19 concerts, hanging with friends, and Pudgy's Pizza; he was
20 curious, confident, loyal to his friends, and lived life to the
21 fullest; and

1 WHEREAS, Officer Rivera was the beloved son of Catalina
2 "Cathy" (Robert) Rivera Ortiz; the stepson of Robert Ortiz Sr.;
3 the loving stepbrother of Robert Ortiz Jr.; the devoted
4 grandson of Juan and Hermelinda Rivera; the dearest nephew of
5 George and Juan (Joanne) Rivera; the dear cousin of Tiffany,
6 John, and Jim; and friend to many; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we mourn the passing of Officer John Petty "J.D." Rivera and
10 extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all
11 who knew and loved him; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Officer Rivera as an expression of
14 our deepest sympathy.